INDOT 2030 Plan Update Consultation Meeting Kentucky-Indiana Planning & Development Agency Meeting at Clarksville Town Hall in Clarksville Tuesday, June 15, 2004 10:00 AM EDT

In Attendance: Steve Smith, INDOT Long Range Planning

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- I. The Metropolitan Planning Organization was provided an overview of the plan update process by Steve Smith from INDOT.
- II. Frank Baukert from INDOT distributed a packet of update material including the results of the latest Statewide Travel Demand Model run, INDOT Long Range Transportation Plan Project listings, and updated scheduling information on programmed projects.

Project Discussion:

1. New I-64 Interchange near Corydon: Harrison County is conducting a planning study to provide planning support for determining the preferred location for a new I-64 interchange.

Comment: When the study is completed, INDOT needs to evaluate it, and make any necessary changes to the plan.

2. <u>SR-11 from SR-135 to SR-337</u>, new road construction: The district has proposed a new road from SR-135 straight east to SR-337 at SR-11 in Harrison Co. in exchange for relinquishments on SR-11 and SR-111. The district has discussed this project with Harrison County.

Comment: This project needs to be modeled to assess impacts to the state transportation network.

3. SR-64 in Georgetown, Added Travel Lanes (LRP#732, RFC:2016, \$9 million): The district has asked that the western limit of this project be extended through Georgetown. The project's limit was determined by available right of way. Expansion of SR-64 past Marci Lane would require numerous displacements. There was a concern that changing the project limits could stall development. The district would like a corridor study to examine this problem. One possible solution would be to leave existing project as is, and create a new project to deal with the congestion within Georgetown. It has also been suggested that the district work with the town manager and Floyd Co. to develop improvements to

SR-64 and other local roads. Another alternative would be to improve a local road to state standards in order to divert traffic from SR-64. Additionally, there is a federal aid project to improve Old Lanesville Road between I-64 Exit#113 and SR-64. It was suggested that this might improve conditions in Georgetown.

Comment: This needs to be modeled along with proposed solutions in order to identify potential solutions.

4. <u>I-265 Interchange Modifications:</u> The INDOT Seymour District feels that many of these interchange projects need to be moved up to cope with current congestion problems.

Comment: These interchanges need to be studied to determine which interchange improvements should take place in the near future and which can wait until an adjacent interstate widening projects take place. The District identified SR-111 & I-265 as an interchange which would require advancing ahead of the planned interstate widening.

5. <u>I-64 and SR-62/64 Interchange modification:</u> The INDOT interchange study assigned this interchange a priority ranking of 65 and recommended major improvements including additional turn lanes. The district felt that improvements to this interchange could not wait until the planned interstate widening project is constructed.

Comment: This interchange needs to be included with the I-265 interchanges for review to determine which interchange improvements should take place in the near future and which can wait until an adjacent interstate widening takes place.

6. SR-311 between SR-60 & I-65, Added Lanes(LRP#34/Des#9902900, RFC: 2006, \$4.2 million): INDOT is dropping this project from the plan in order to focus its investment on Revive 65 and planned I-265 improvements.

Comment: Based on a previous meeting with local governments, the consensus was to pursue intersection and safety improvements, but refrain from added capacity projects until the impacts from the completed I-65 improvements can be properly assessed. At that time, INDOT would sit down with the MPO and local governments and determine the best course for the future development of the entire corridor from I-265 to I-65.

7. SR-111 in Floyd County: There are two reconstruction projects planned for SR-111. Based on their respective engineer's reports, these projects have been upgraded to include one or more additional lanes in selected locations. Currently, the projects are included in the plan based on their INDOT project numbers with the project description explaining where and how many lanes would be added. The INDOT planning section is considering restructuring the projects according to the number of lanes added.

Comment: Restructuring these projects would require coordination with the MPO to ensure consistency between the respective plans.

8. SR-403 in Charlestown, Added Lanes(LRP#359, RFC: 2019, \$16.4 million): The latest statewide travel demand model runs indicate that this highway will still see acceptable levels of service even without the planned improvement. The INDOT planning is considering canceling this project.

Comment: Additional analysis as well as consultation with local stakeholders needs to be done in order to insure that this project is not needed before this project can be dropped.

9. <u>SR-62 in Clark County:</u> There were concerns expressed about the growth of residential development along SR-62 in eastern Clark County. Charleston has expressed an interest in having INDOT add capacity to this road to cope with future traffic.

Comment: Future traffic and the impacts of planned intersection improvements needs to be analyzed to determine the need for additional capacity.

10. <u>US-150 in Greenville and Galena:</u> INDOT has a programmed reconstruction project in this corridor. The engineer's report recommended that a median turn lane be added inside the urban areas.

Comment: *INDOT is going to add this project to its long range plan.*

11. <u>Louisville Western Toll Bridge</u>: The city council of greater Louisville's metropolitan transportation commission has expressed an interest in a toll bridge connecting I-265 with SR-111. The city has been advised to work with their Metropolitan Planning Organization (Kentuckiana Regional Planning and Development Agency). The planning section had been asked to speak at a city council transportation committee meeting. Based on guidance from the executive office, the planning section has declined the invitation. KIPDA has spoken with the commission about this project.

Comment: The planning section will defer action on this proposal pending action by the MPO.

KIPDA Comments:

- 1. The MPO is beginning a 3 year update of its long range plan. The MPO needs to have its updated plan adopted by July 2005, so it is important that new projects be submitted early for review.
- 2. The MPO's proposed adjusted Urbanized Boundary map has been sent to INDOT's traffic statistics section for review. The MPO is also proposing a 5 county Metropolitan Planning Area (Clark and Floyd in Indiana) as well as including a small portion of Harrison County.